

# SÉRÉNADE CRÉOLE



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Down the broad bayou we float,  
Under a misty moon;  
While the eddies spread from our drifting boat,  
And day-thoughts die, in a dream remote,  
To the tune of the whippoorwill's croon.

Down the broad bayou we float,  
Under a misty moon;  
While the lapping waves, against our boat,  
With soft caress of their liquid note,  
Weave a quivering argent rune.

Down the broad bayou we float,  
Under a misty moon;  
And the world forgot is a sunlit mote,  
That dances away in space afloat.  
Ah, dawn, come not too soon!

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**Allegro grazioso à la Valse**

*f* *ben ritmato* *p* *cresc.*

*mf*  
Down the  
*Con sentimento*

*p* *f* *dim.* *p*

*cresc.*  
broad bay - ou we float, Un - der a mist - y

moon; \_\_\_\_\_ While the ed - dies spread from our drift - ing

*mf* *dim.* *mf*

*ped.* *ped.* *ped.* *ped.*

boat, And day - thoughts die in a dream re - mote, To the

*cresc.* *cresc.*

*ped.* *ped.* *ped.* \* *ped.* \*

tune of the whip-poor-will's croon. \_\_\_\_\_ To the tune of the whip-poor-will's

*f* *colla voce* *dim.* *mf* *sempre rit.* *p*

*ped.* *ped.* *ped.* *ped.* \*

*a tempo* *p* *poco cresc.*

croon, To the tune

*a tempo poco sostenuto* *p* *poco cresc.*

*2do.* \* *2do.* \*

— of the whip-poor-will's croon.

*f* *dim.* *mf*

*2do.* \* *2do.* \*

### Poco deciso

Down the broad bay - ou we float, Un - der a mis - ty

*mf*

*2do.* \* *2do.* \* *2do.* \* *2do.* \* *2do.* \* *2do.*

moon; \_\_\_\_\_ While lap-ping waves, a - gainst our boat,

*Red.* *Red.* \* *Red.* \* *Red.* \* *Red.* \* *Red.* \*

With soft ca - ress of their li - quid note, Weave a quiv-er-ing ar - gent

*Red.* *Red.* *Red.* *Red.* *Red.* *Red.*

rune, \_\_\_\_\_ A quiv-er-ing ar - gent rune. \_\_\_\_\_

*Red.* \* *Red.* *Red.*

## Tempo I

*marcia, la misura*

*rit* *f* *pp*

*mf* *cresc.*

Down the broad bay - ou we float, Un - der a

*p*

*f* *mf*

mist - y moon; And the world for - got is a sun - lit

*f* *mf*

*cresc.* *rall*

mote, That dances a - way in space a - float. Ah! dawn, come

*dim.* *mf* *sempre rit.*

not too soon. Ah! dawn, come not too

*dim.* *mf* *colla voce*

*rit.* \* *rit.* \* *rit.* \*

*a tempo* *poco cresc.*

soon! Come not too soon! Ah!

*a tempo* *poco cresc.*

*rit.* \* *rit.* \* *rit.* \*

*rall.* *a tempo* *accel.*

dawn, come not too soon!

*a tempo* *accel.*

*rall.* \* *rit.* \* *rit.* \* *rit.* \* *rit.* \*

\* *rit.* \*